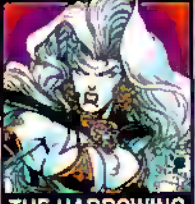


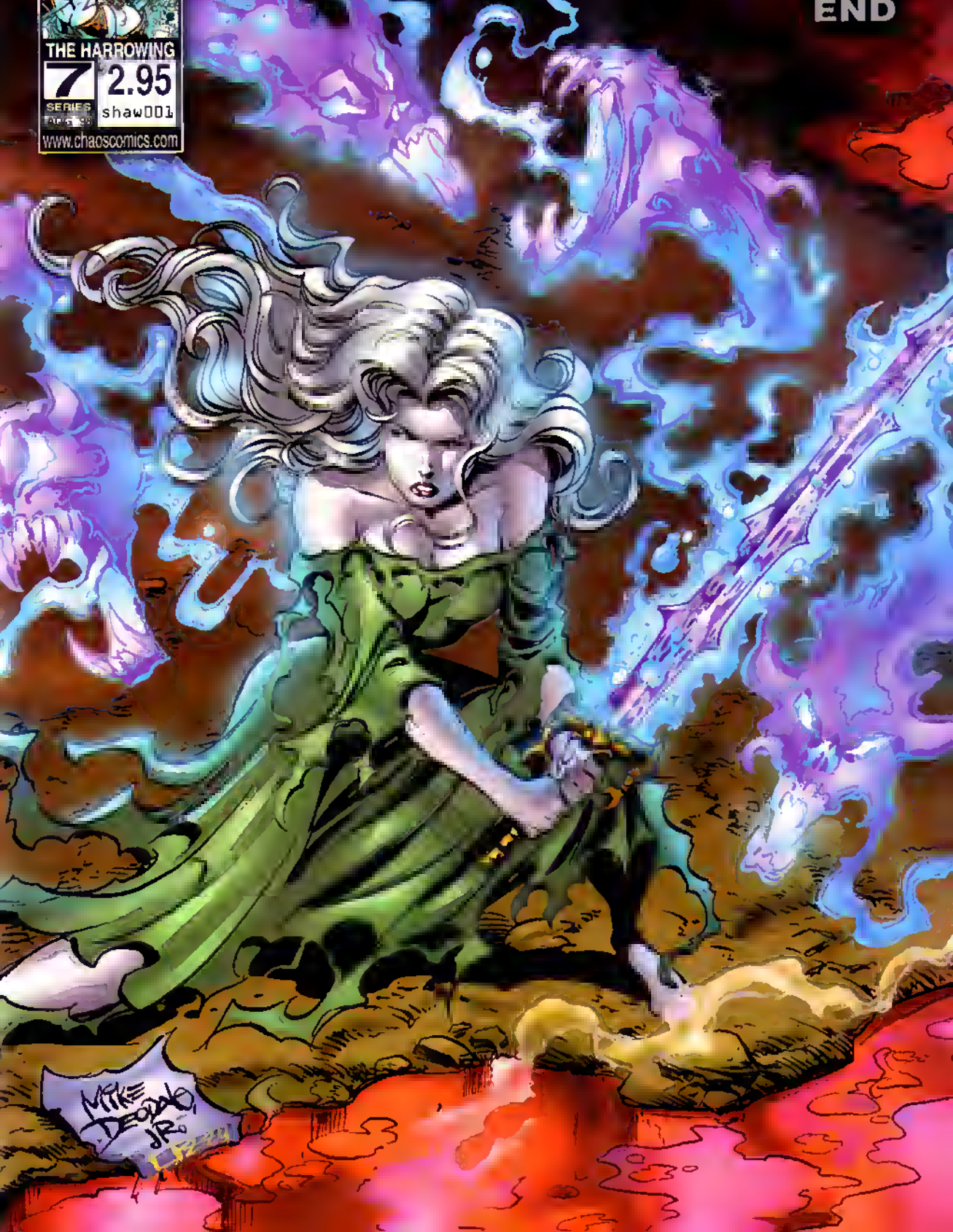
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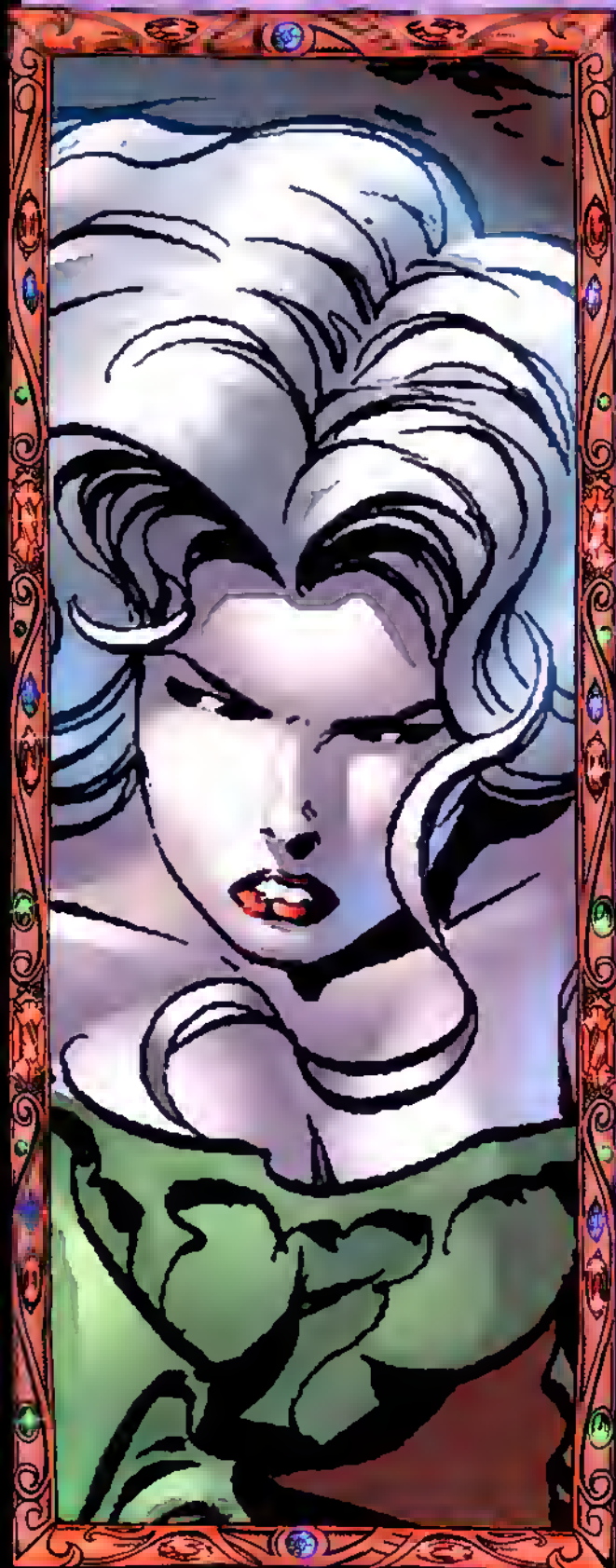
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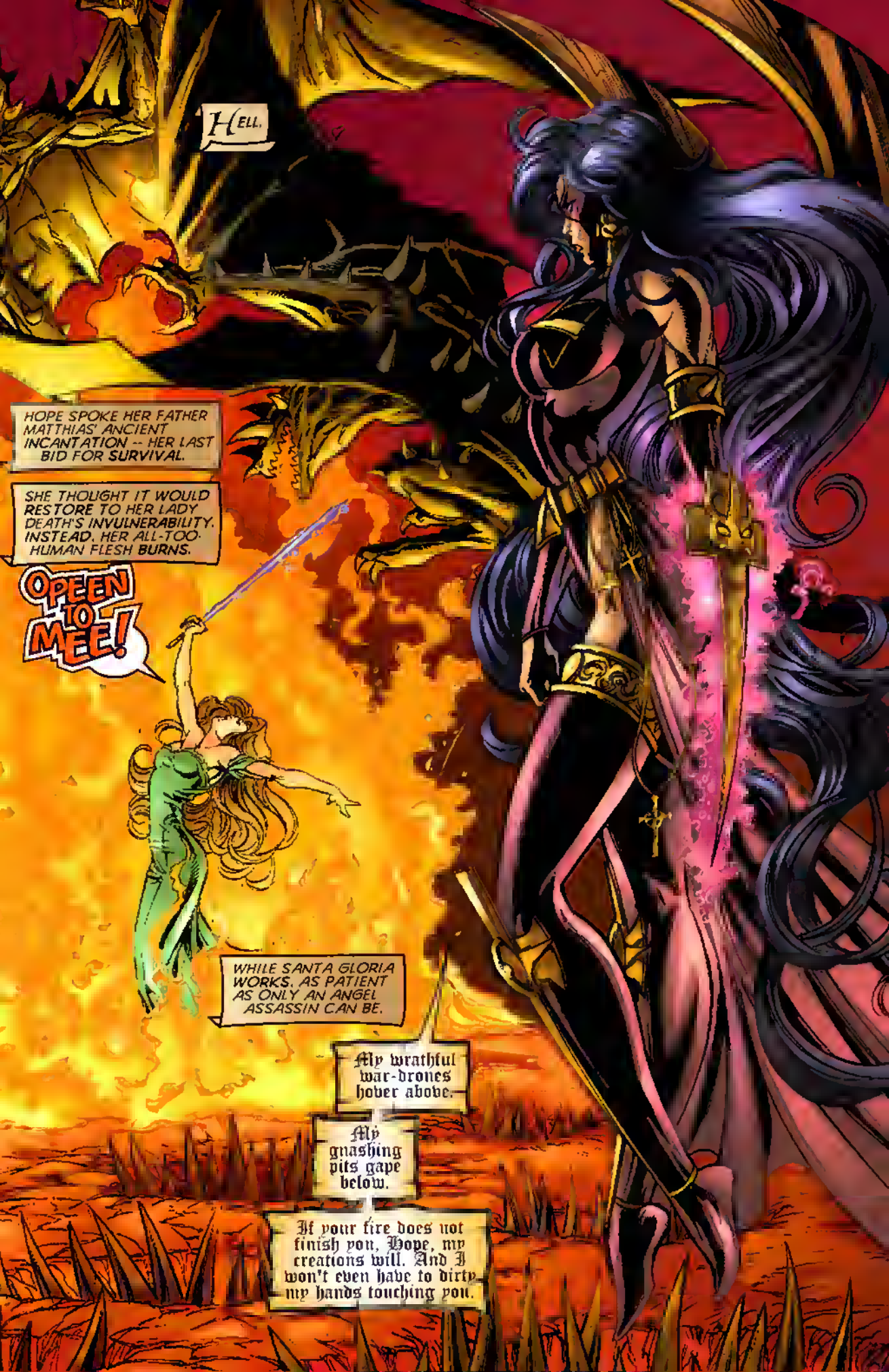
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HELL.

HOPE SPOKE HER FATHER  
MATTHIAS' ANCIENT  
INCANTATION -- HER LAST  
BID FOR SURVIVAL.

SHE THOUGHT IT WOULD  
RESTORE TO HER LADY  
DEATH'S INVULNERABILITY.  
INSTEAD, HER ALL-TOO-  
HUMAN FLESH BURNS.

OPEEN  
TO  
MEE!

WHILE SANTA GLORIA  
WORKS, AS PATIENT  
AS ONLY AN ANGEL  
ASSASSIN CAN BE.

My wrathful  
war-drones  
hover above.

My  
gnashing  
pits gape  
below.

If your fire does not  
finish you, Hope, my  
creations will. And I  
won't even have to dirty  
my hands touching you.



HEAVEN'S LIBRARY.

WHERE THE LIBRARIANS CAN'T TEAR THEMSELVES AWAY FROM THE UNFOLDING STORY.

NO! LOOK, INSIDE THE LADY'S FORTRESS! HER ALLIES!

RESIST, VASSAGO!

THE SERAPHIM COUNCIL LAID DOWN THE LAW; LADY DEATH IS HISTORY.

SEE? BRILLIANT! JUST WHAT I WOULD HAVE DONE!

WHY DO YOU THINK HELL'S GUARDIAN IS CALLED...

CREMATOR!

PARAGH!!

"AW, DUDE, IS HE GOING WHERE I THINK HE'S GOING?"

"SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO THOSE WHO SIDE WITH OUR LADY?"

"AND WE GOT BUSTED HIDING OUR SHRINE TO HER BY MICHAEL HIMSELF!"

"WE ARE SO TOTALLY DOOMED."

"HEY, SPEAKING OF THE ARCHANGEL --"

HOPE IS SO BEAUTIFULLY FIERCE. HEAVEN AND HELL HOUND HER, BUT SHE NEVER QUITS.

IF I DARE SPEAK MY HEART TO THE SERAPHIM COUNCIL, I WILL BE HUNTED, TOO.

WHAT I CANNOT UNDERSTAND IS THIS BELLIGERENCE! WE SERAPHIM NEVER MADE WAR ON ANY BUT REBELS IN OUR OWN MIDST!

I ALWAYS ASSUMED HELL WOULD DECLARE THE JUDGMENT WAR -- IS IT RIGHT THAT HEAVEN SPILL FIRST BLOOD?

YOU HAVE NEVER QUESTIONED THE WILL OF HEAVEN, MICHAEL.

SHOULD YOU START NOW?

HIGHEST OF THE HIGH!

I AM THE SWORD HAND OF GOD! IF HOPE MUST DIE LET ME --

IF THE CHOSEN ONE LIVES, SHE, NOT HEAVEN, WILL DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF THE RAPTURE.

WHY THIS PERSONAL INTEREST IN HER, MICHAEL? WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

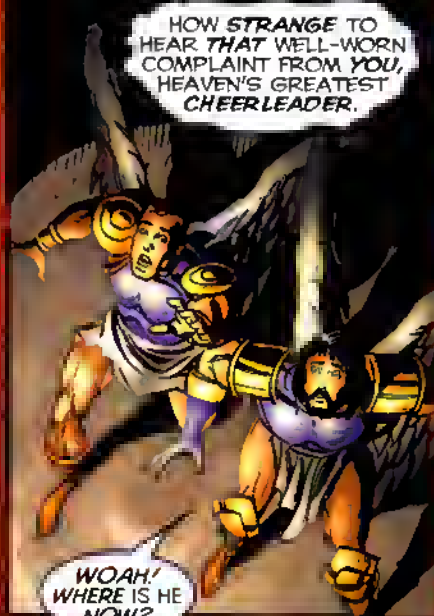
YOU WOULD ASK THAT OF THE SOLDIER WHO PUT LUCIFER IN HIS PLACE?

PEACE BE WITH YOU.





I HAD TO COME TO YOU.  
WHAT I MUST DO CANNOT  
BE ACCOMPLISHED  
THROUGH THE POLITICS  
OF HEAVEN.



HOW STRANGE TO  
HEAR THAT WELL-WORN  
COMPLAINT FROM YOU,  
HEAVEN'S GREATEST  
CHEERLEADER.

WOAH!  
WHERE IS HE  
NOW?



NO ONE  
CONSULTS  
US... IN  
HEAVEN'S  
POLITICS...

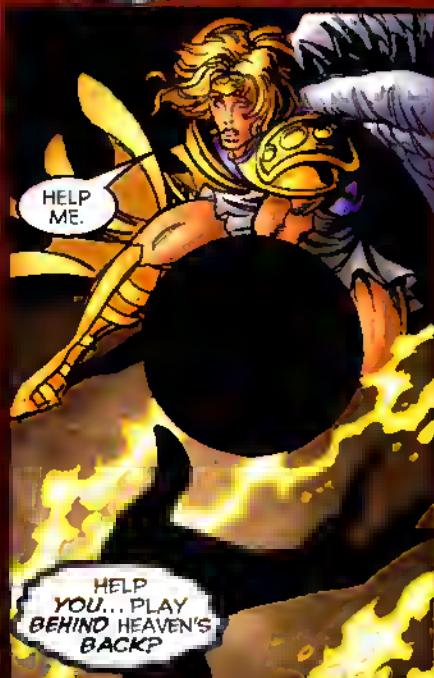
WE... WHO  
HAVE WAITED  
FOREVER... TO  
BE THE WRATH  
OF GOD.



"M-MICHAEL LOOKS...  
HUMBLED! HE  
C-CAN'T BE WITH

"N-NO/  
IMPOSSIBLE!"

WE KEEP  
FORGETTING HE  
THRIVES ON THE  
IMPOSSIBLE



HELP  
ME.

HELP  
YOU... PLAY  
BEHIND HEAVEN'S  
BACK

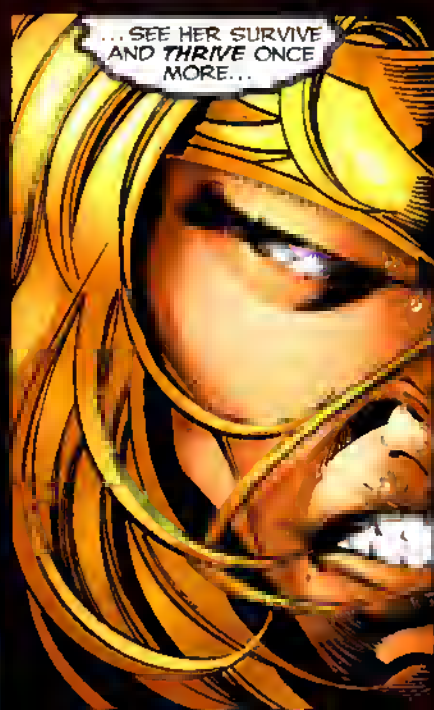


BAD, BAD  
BOY.

BUT WE,  
LIKE YOU, HAVE  
NEEDS.



WOULD YOU SAVE  
YOUR LITTLE...  
INFATUATION...



... SEE HER SURVIVE  
AND THRIVE ONCE  
MORE...



... EVEN IF  
IT MEANT  
SHE WOULD BE  
INDEBTED...

... TO US?

SO BE  
IT!

HELL.

AAAAHH

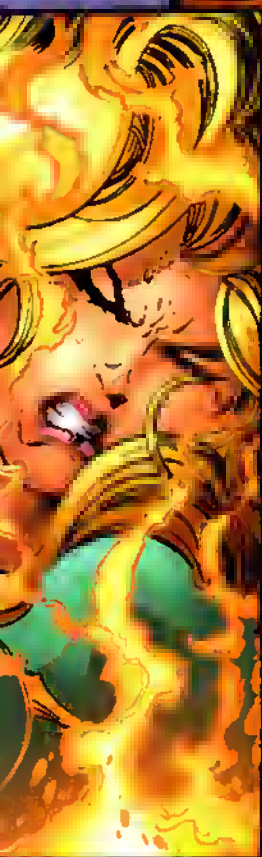
ISN'T THAT JUST LIKE A WOMAN?

HEAVEN'S HIT-BABE HAS TROUBLED HERSELF TO CRANK OUT A MASSIVE SPANKING MACHINE IN YOUR HONOR, HOPE...

...BUT YOU'RE SUCH A PRINCESS, YOU'RE TAKING YOUR OWN SWEET TIME...

...ROASTING ALIVE!

HAHAHA!



HIS WAVE OF DISINTEGRATION SWEEPING THROUGH HELL DOESN'T LOOK LIKE MUCH FUN, THOUGH.

WITH LUCIFER GONE, THE BIG QUESTION PAGAN FANS ARE ASKING IS...

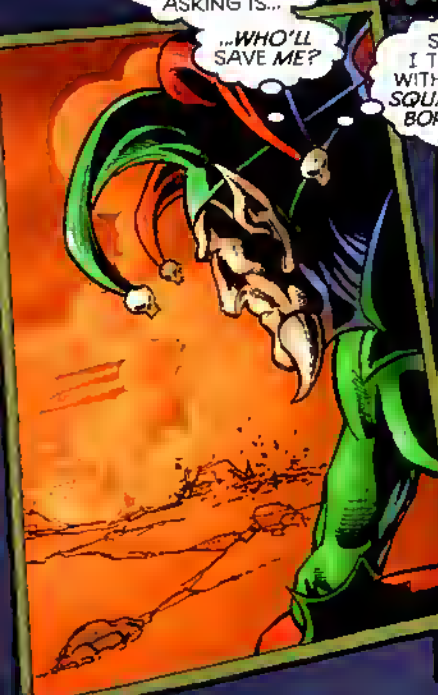
...WHO'LL SAVE ME?

SHOULD I THROW IN WITH THE GOD SQUAD? WHAT BORES! BUT...

Who...? Oh, it's only Lucifer's Fool, Pagan.

Nothing important. Unless... mmm, yes.

I can use you, little clown.





WITHIN THE FIRE...

CANCEL THIS FLAME YOU CALLED UPON US, GIRL!

WITHOUT MORE BLOOD, OUR STRENGTH WILL BE EXHAUSTED! WE CANNOT DEFEND YOU FOREVER!

I CANNOT STOP IT!  
IT'S AS IF... THE FLAME IS COMING FROM WITHIN ME!



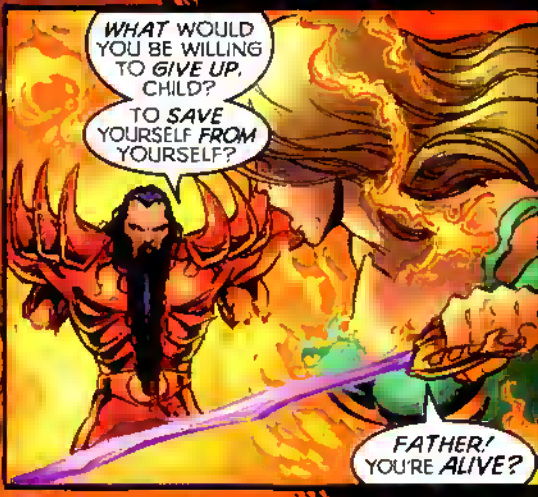
AAAAHHH  
HOPE, AFTER CENTURIES, WE BURN AGAIN... TOGETHER!\*

SEE LADY DEATH, THE RECKONING!

LADY DEATH WAS A KILLER, MATTHIAS. BUT WHEN FORCED, HOPE CAN KILL TOO!

YOU ABUSED ME, AND MANIPULATED ME EVERY TIME! I WON'T ACCEPT THAT EVER AGAIN!

YOU -- LITTLE --  
UNWAAH!



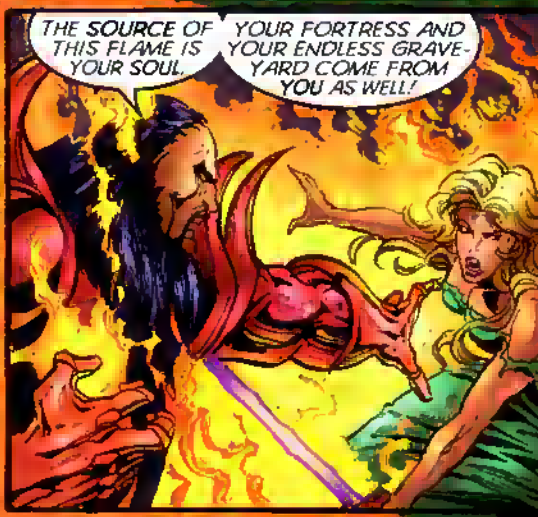
WHAT WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO GIVE UP, CHILD? TO SAVE YOURSELF FROM YOURSELF?

FATHER! YOU'RE ALIVE?



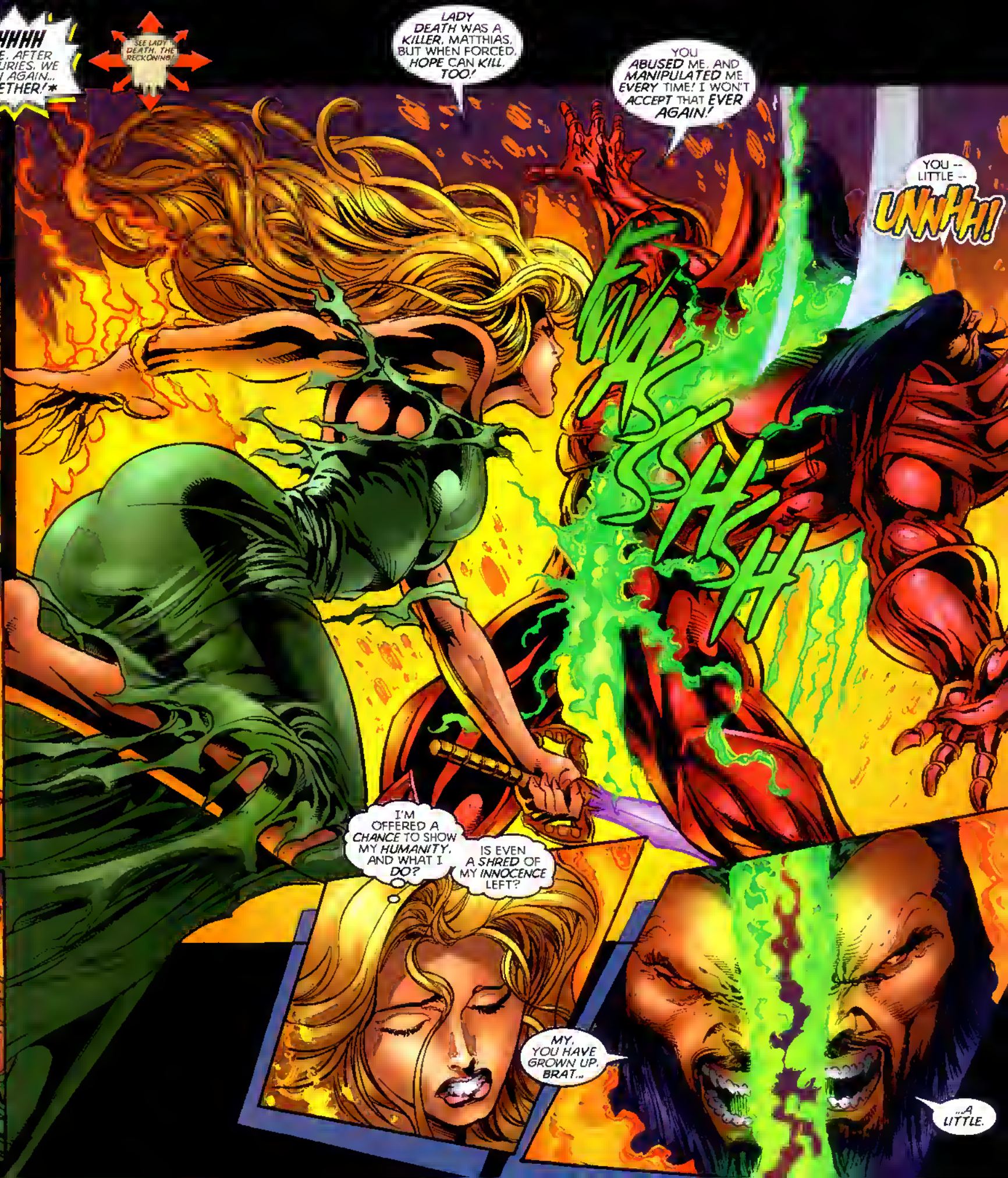
I HAVE NO BODY, THANKS TO YOU.

I CAN RETAIN THIS ELEMENTAL FORM WHEN I MUST. SO SHUT UP AND LEARN.



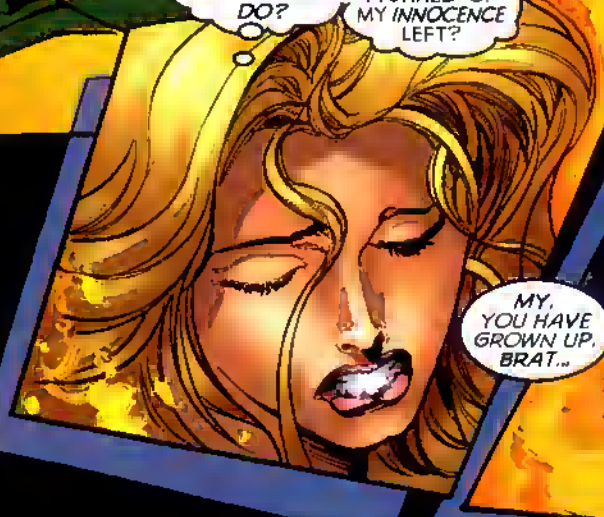
THE SOURCE OF THIS FLAME IS YOUR SOUL.

YOUR FORTRESS AND YOUR ENDLESS GRAVEYARD COME FROM YOU AS WELL!



I'M OFFERED A CHANCE TO SHOW MY HUMANITY, AND WHAT I DO?

IS EVEN A SHRED OF MY INNOCENCE LEFT?



MY, YOU HAVE GROWN UP, BRAT...



...A LITTLE.





EVEN DEATH CAN'T  
FREE YOU FROM THE  
AGONY THAT BURNS  
WITHIN YOUR  
SOUL.

BUT  
LOOK AT  
ME!

I  
RENOUNCED  
MY SOUL. I'VE  
NEVER FELT MORE  
POWERFUL!

YOU ALREADY  
RENOUNCED  
HUMANITY. HOW MUCH  
COULD IT HURT TO  
LET GO OF YOUR  
SOUL. HMMMM?

LET  
GOOOO. I AM  
WAITING, MY  
DAUGHTER.

NO!

HOPE.

Ohhhh...

THERE  
IS ANOTHER  
WAY.

NO NO NO  
NOT ANOTHER  
ONE!

BE NOT  
AFRAID.





I HAVE STARED AT HER IMAGE SO MANY TIMES. HERE SHE IS. SO LOVELY. YET SOMEHOW...

...SO SAVAGE.

DID YOU STOP...THE BURNING? HOW?



SO... HUMAN.

DOES SHE REALIZES I'M STARING?

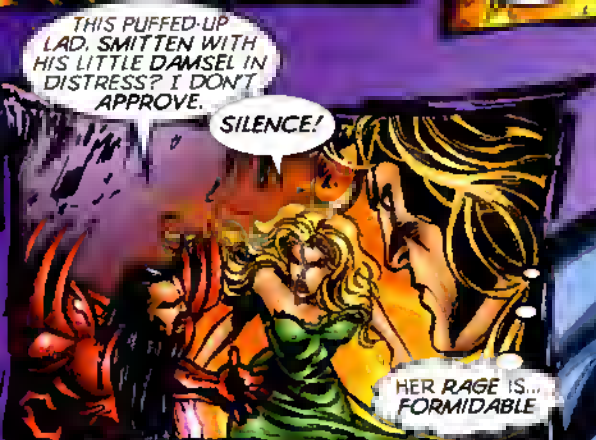
I AM MICHAEL.



MICHAEL, IF YOU'RE NOT ONE OF THE ANGELS SENT TO MURDER ME...

...PLEASE, HELP ME!

WHAT'S THIS HOPE?



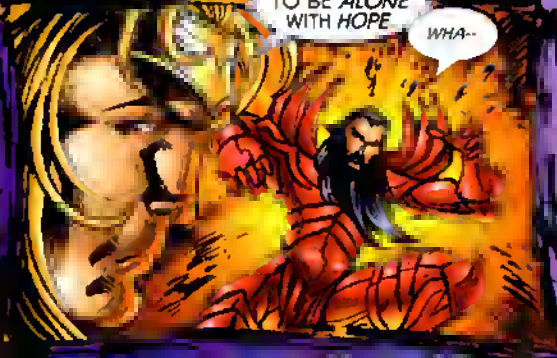
THIS PUFFED-UP LAD, SMITTEN WITH HIS LITTLE DAMSEL IN DISTRESS? I DON'T APPROVE.

SILENCE!

HER RAGE IS... FORMIDABLE



THIS PAWN OF GOD ONLY WANTS TO USE YOU



I WANT TO BE ALONE WITH HOPE

WHA--



WHILE, OUTSIDE THE FLAMES...

Well, Hope. When you have completed your little family drama, I will be waiting.

My work is done.





DO YOU RECOGNIZE... THE ETERNAL SCYTHE OF THE COVENANT?

I KNOW LADY DEATH SAW IT WHEN SHE MET DEATH.

LIKE MATTHIAS. THE SWORD CALLED NIGHTMARE WILL STEAL YOUR SOUL. THE SCYTHE WILL NOT.

GIVE ME NIGHTMARE, HOPE -- FREE YOURSELF FROM ITS CURSE.

TAKE UP THE SCYTHE. BE DEATH, AND SURVIVE.

PLEASE DON'T LET FEAR, OR THE SPIRIT OF YOUR SWORD, CHOOSE FOR YOU. HOPE. MANY GRAVE CHOICES LAY AHEAD FOR YOU. YOU MUST CHOOSE FOR YOURSELF.

PERHAPS LADY DEATH COULD SURVIVE SEPARATION FROM THE BLADE. I CAN'T.

I'M ALIVE NOW! I CAN'T WED MYSELF TO DEATH AGAIN.

LADY DEATH O!



NIGHTMARE IS EXHAUSTED. SANTA GLORIA HAS REMADE HELL INTO YOUR DEATH-TRAP.

I CANNOT FIGHT FOR YOU. YOU WILL DIE.

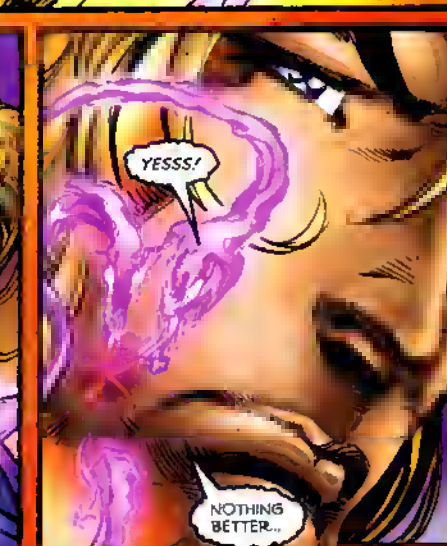


IF THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK, THEN THANKS FOR STOPPING MY FIRE. NOW STAY OUT OF MY WAY!



I SEE YOU MUST SURVIVE YOUR WAY...

CHIT



YESSS!

NOTHING BETTER...



...BUT LET MY MODEST SACRIFICE BUY YOU TIME TO RECONSIDER!

...THAN THE BLOOD OF HEAVEN!

ONE DROP, AND WE COULD SLAUGHTER AN ARMY OF THOUSANDS!



THE FLAME SURROUNDING  
HOPE VANISHES WITH  
THE ARCHANGEL, AND...

...ONCE AGAIN,  
HOPE MAKES HER  
STAND ALONE!

Oh,  
CREMATOR,  
I COULD USE  
YOU, HERE.

THE  
SHRIEKING FROM  
SANTA GLORIA'S  
CREATIONS MAY  
TAKE MY BREATH  
AWAY, BUT  
NOTHING...

Kill her.

EEEEEE

COME ON,  
UGLY!

HEH HEH HEH

Hope,  
your survival  
instinct is stronger  
than most  
mortals!

But so  
is your  
rage.

...OUT OF  
ACTION!

...WILL  
KEEP  
ME...

...AND  
STUPID?

Destroy  
my war toys --  
your rage has  
already undone  
you.

I PROMISE  
YOU HEAVEN'S  
BLOOD, DAMN  
YOU!

OR  
SHOULD  
I SAY,  
UGLY...

CHOOOMFF

BLOOD!

THESE  
THINGS OF  
MAGICK HAVE  
NO BLOOD!





JUST GIVE ME ALL YOU HAVE LEFT!

UNNH!

HELP ME TAKE CONTROL OF MY BATTLE...

...BY CHOOSING ITS GROUND!

ARRRGH

I NEED VASSAGO! HOW CAN I FREE MY FRIENDS?

RARRGH

GNAASH

SANTA GLORIA, YOU CAN CREATE -- BUT YOU CANNOT LEAD.

IS THIS THE BEST HEAVEN HAS TO OFFER?

BLOOD!

WE SMELL BLOODD!

SO YOU DO.

PAGAN!

Uhhh, HELLO, HOPE, DEAR.

DID YOU KNOW THAT IF YOU, UH, KILL ME, YOU'LL NEVER LEARN THE NIGHTMARE BLADE'S TRUE, UH, ORIGIN...

...AND, UH, PURPOSE?

FOOSH

EEEE



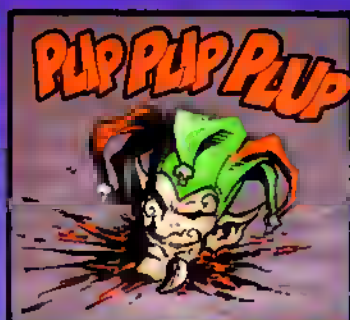






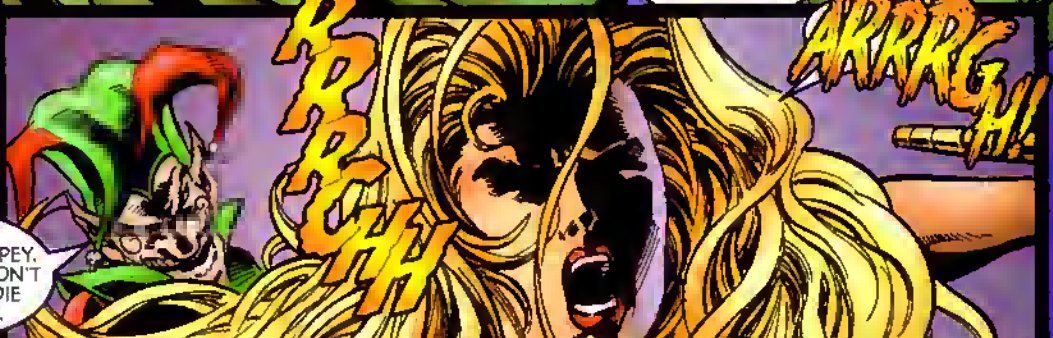
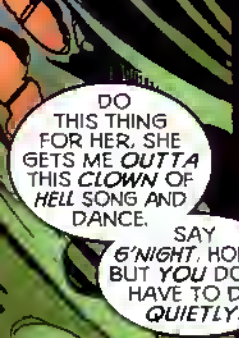
SO DIE --  
AND QUIETLY,  
PLEASE,  
PAGAN.

I HAVE  
AN ANGEL'S  
ARMY TO  
KILL, TOO.



FUNNY  
YOU SHOULD  
MENTION SANTA  
GLORIA,  
KIDDO...

'CAUSE  
I KINDA SIGNED  
A DEAL WITH  
HER MYSELF!



DO  
THIS THING  
FOR HER, SHE  
GETS ME OUTTA  
THIS CLOWN OF  
HELL SONG AND  
DANCE.

SAY  
'G'NIGHT, HOPEY,  
BUT YOU DON'T  
HAVE TO DIE  
QUIETLY.



INTERLUDE: AT  
HEAVEN'S BORDER...

...SORCERESS LEVIATHA  
MAKES A DISCOVERY.

My BELOVED  
disintegrated in  
HEAVEN'S GATE!  
But the gate was  
compromised, TOO!

I'm not too  
late to —

NO, HE'S  
MINE!  
I FELT HIM  
FIRST!

FALLEN ANGEL MALADY  
HAS MADE A SIMILAR  
BREAKTHROUGH.

NOW  
TO START  
MY GREATEST  
WORK OF ART,  
EVER!

No one DARES  
touch the QUEEN  
of Hell, LUCIFER'S  
true love!

Without a sound,  
SOMETHING erupts  
from Heaven!

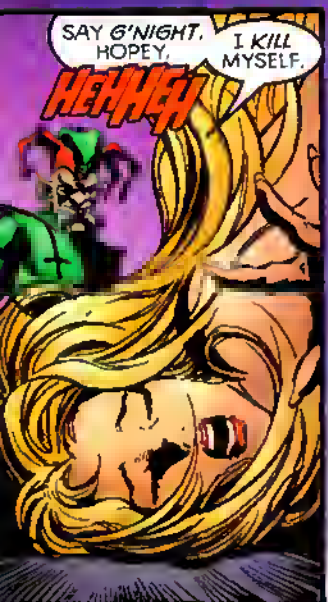
But this ominous CHRYSALIS  
was not targeted at me!  
Its destination is... HELL!  
What IS it?

FOR A PRELUDE, I  
THINK YOU WOULD BE  
PRETTY -- TURNED  
INSIDE OUT!

FOR  
THAT, "QUEEN,"  
YOU SHALL BECOME  
SCREAMING  
ART YOURSELF!

END INTERLUDE.





SAY G'NIGHT, HOPEY. I KILL MYSELF.

HEHEHE



NO, BUT I WILL

AHHH. THE BIG MAN - CHAMPION OF HEAVEN'S LIES!

HEY, YA THINK GOD KNOWS YOUR SNEAKIN' SOME ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE TRACKS. HUH?



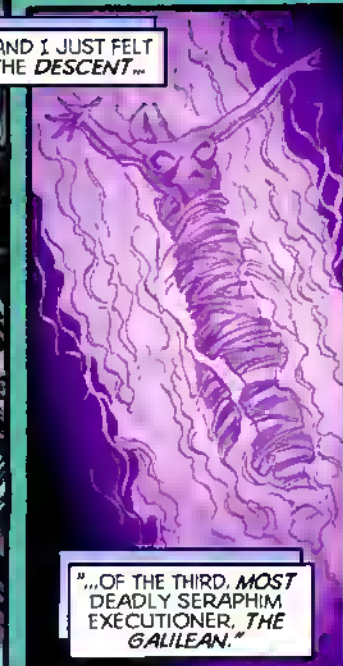
The Chosen One dies, Michael! Your interference offends Heaven!



THOUGH IT HURTS TO SEE YOU THUS. HOPE YOU INSPIRE MORE AWE AS A WOMAN THAN AS DEATH.

ONLY DEATH CAN UNDO SANTA GLORIA'S DAMAGE.

"AND I JUST FELT THE DESCENT..."



"...OF THE THIRD, MOST DEADLY SERAPHIM EXECUTIONER, THE GALILEAN."



MICHAEL LIKE -- HUNNH -- MATTHIAS--

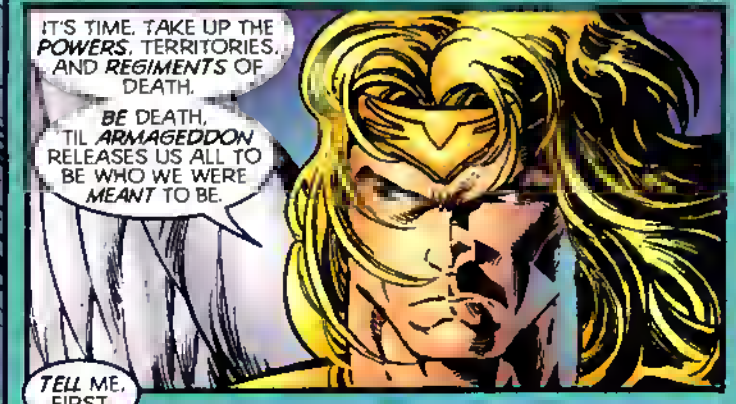
...YOU WANT MY VICTORY...BUT ON YOUR TERMS.



NO WITNESS TO MY PRESENCE IN HELL MAY LIVE. ERADICATING YOU, SANTA GLORIA, WILL BE A PLEASURE.

I OFFEND HEAVEN?

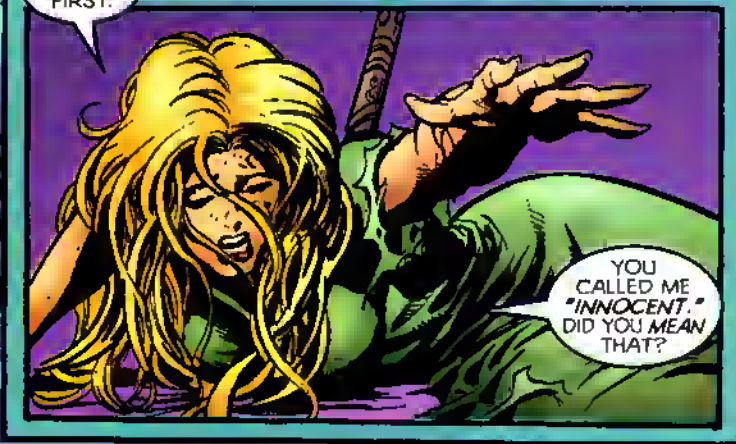
WHO CONSPIRED WITH PAGAN AGAINST AN INNOCENT?



IT'S TIME. TAKE UP THE POWERS, TERRITORIES, AND REGIMENTS OF DEATH.

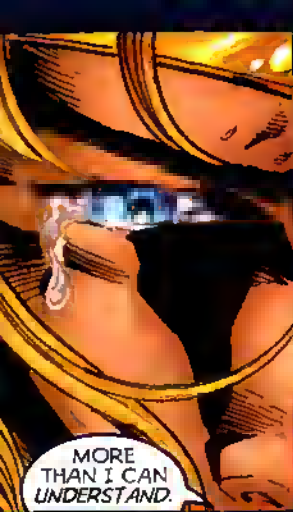
BE DEATH. TIL ARMAGEDDON RELEASES US ALL TO BE WHO WE WERE MEANT TO BE.

TELL ME, FIRST.

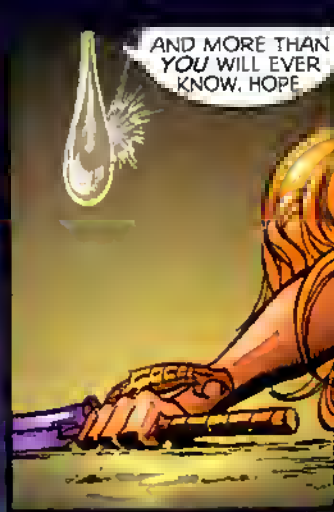


YOU CALLED ME "INNOCENT." DID YOU MEAN THAT?





MORE  
THAN I CAN  
UNDERSTAND.



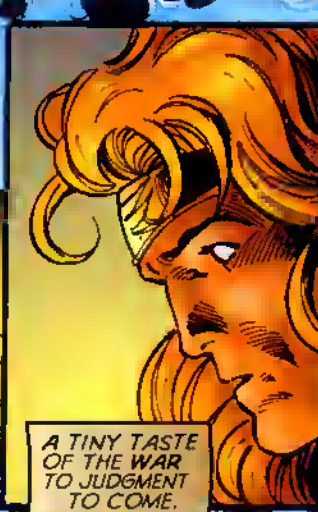
AND MORE THAN  
YOU WILL EVER  
KNOW. HOPE.



MICHAEL'S DIAMOND-  
BRIGHT TEAR SPLASHES  
THE SCARRED ROCK.



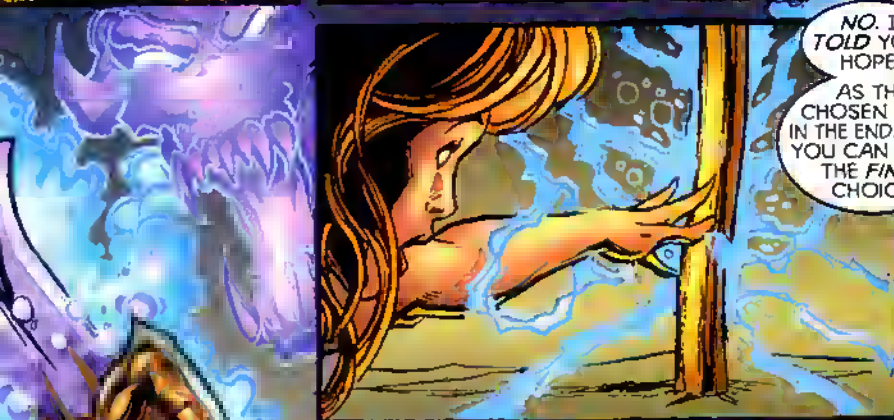
IN THAT SPOT,  
HELL AND HEAVEN  
ANNIHILATE  
EACH OTHER.



A TINY TASTE  
OF THE WAR  
TO JUDGMENT  
TO COME.

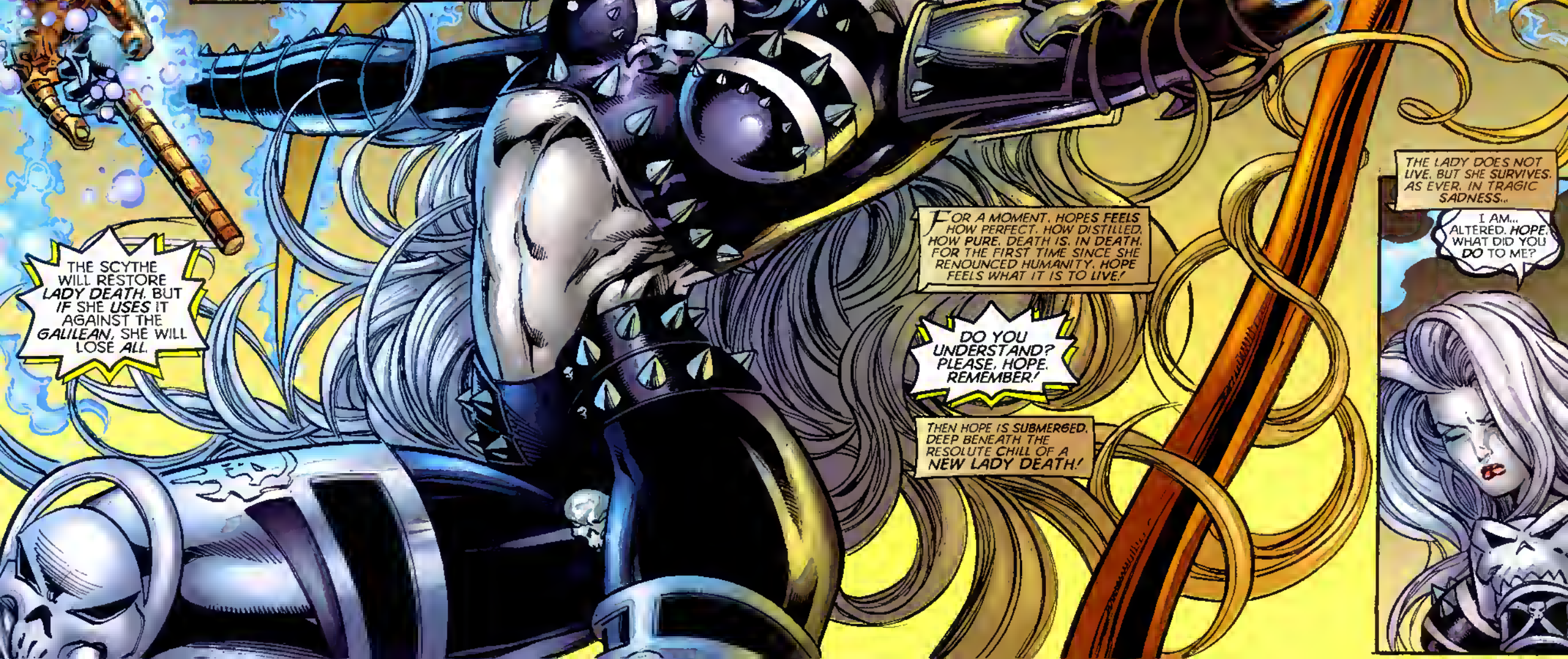


I...  
DON'T HAVE...  
A CHOICE.



NO, I  
TOLD YOU,  
HOPE.  
AS THE  
CHOSEN ONE,  
IN THE END, ONLY  
YOU CAN MAKE  
THE FINAL  
CHOICE.

YES! I AM  
ALL THAT I WAS --  
AND, SOMEHOW,  
EVEN MORE!



THE SCYTHE  
WILL RESTORE  
LADY DEATH. BUT  
IF SHE USES IT  
AGAINST THE  
GALILEAN, SHE WILL  
LOSE ALL.

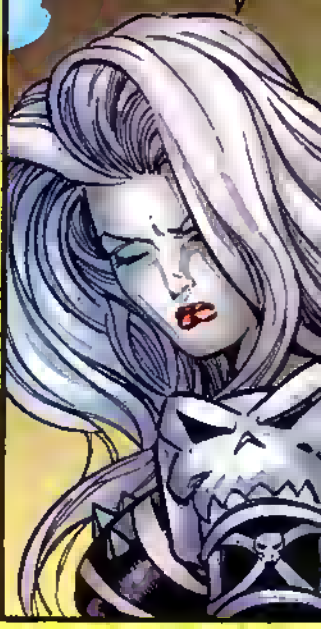
FOR A MOMENT, HOPE FEELS  
HOW PERFECT. HOW DISTILLED.  
HOW PURE. DEATH IS. IN DEATH,  
FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE SHE  
RENOUNCED HUMANITY, HOPE  
FEELS WHAT IT IS TO LIVE!

DO YOU  
UNDERSTAND?  
PLEASE, HOPE,  
REMEMBER!

THEN HOPE IS SUBMERGED,  
DEEP BENEATH THE  
RESOLUTE CHILL OF A  
NEW LADY DEATH!

THE LADY DOES NOT  
LIVE, BUT SHE SURVIVES.  
AS EVER, IN TRAGIC  
SADNESS...

I AM...  
ALTERED. HOPE.  
WHAT DID YOU  
DO TO ME?





...PIERCING  
LONELINESS...

MICHAEL --?

...AND PASSIONATE  
CONFLICT!

NOW  
COMES THE FINAL  
HARROWING, "CHOSEN  
ONE," FROM WHICH  
THERE IS NO  
RETURN.

LET HEAVEN  
AND HELL TREMBLE!  
THIS "CHOSEN ONE," I  
ASSURE YOU, CHOOSES  
TO ACCEPT NO MORE  
INDIGNITIES!

TWO  
EXECUTIONERS  
TESTED YOU -- WE  
SERAPHIM KNOW  
YOUR STRENGTHS  
AND WEAKNESSES,  
MORTAL AND  
ETERNAL.

LET THE  
WAR BEGIN --

**Now!!**

**NEXT: THE  
STAND**



## From The Crypt

There's an inevitable question I'm asked when people who meet me learn I'm a horror writer. It's that old chestnut: *why do you write that horrible, scary, violent stuff?*

It took me a few years and some deep soul searching to find the true answer to that, but the answer is: I explore the darkness to help define the light.

I'm drawn to the minds and characters of those who commit terrible acts and experience horrific extremes in an attempt to understand why and how we, as human beings, are the most destructive species on this fragile planet we live on. It's about trying to find some order in a Chaotic universe.

So, beyond having known the Fiend among Fiends, Chaos! President/Publisher Brian Pulido, for years, I suppose it was inevitable I'd end up turning my nefarious talents to his creations.

If you've read the epic *Evil Ernie: Destroyer*, you're aware of just how deep and dark I'm prepared to go. And now, if you're reading *The Omen*, you're discovering how I love to delve into the nature of visions and dreams -- especially of the apocalyptic variety.

In the Chaos! Universe, the Armageddon clock is now ticking steadily as we count down to the end of the Millennium. There's a big, voracious black cloud on the horizon and no one -- neither a hero nor villain -- will be spared the onslaught to come.

Whilst it deals with a group of supernaturally-talented, challenged teens, *The Omen* is not a "team" book. It's not *The Uncanny X-Men*. The Omen of the title pertains to werewolf Morgan Galloway's vision of Armageddon. And in the coming months you'll learn that the other characters -- Vex, Voodoo Child, Carcass, Oblivia, and Rip -- will tap into that vision, too. But which one of them is The Chosen?

*The Omen* is a contrast to the unrelentingly grim annihilation and mutilating mayhem of *Destroyer*, but it's its own dark, savage breed of Chaos!. As I've always been obsessed with end-of-the-world stories, I hope my passion for the material is infectious -- and judging by reader response, I've struck a nerve. I've grown to love *The Omen's* characters, and they're becoming firm favorites to write.

But I've got the best of both worlds right now. As I plot the dire dynamics of *The Omen's* narrative I'm also knee-deep in the pop cultural pleasures of penning *Chastity: Rocked*.

Ahh...Chastity -- my favorite Chaos! character. And what a thrill it is to write her next mini-series! As if the end of the world as we know it weren't enough fun, I get to play in 1980's New York City with my favorite vampire assassin and go up against the Yakuza, supernatural samurai, undead ninjas, and the mysterious, alluring Japanese vampiress, Jade!

But that's just the beginning. Wait until you see what we have in store for you in 1999!

Dwelling in Darkness

*Philip Nutman*

## The Low Down

### Chaos! To Come Renamed

In the long standing tradition of keeping everything here at Chaos! fresh and on the cutting edge, THE CHAOS! TO COME has been officially renamed IMPENDING CHAOS! It will still be the place to catch up on what's going on around the Chaos! cosmos and the Chaos! scene. It's the same great news that you're used to, but now with a clean pine scent.

## THE OMEN & DEAD KING Trades Coming

Just in time for the holidays come these ultra-cool compilations of the hit Omen and Dead King series. If you missed these sold-out issues in the stores, then you won't want to be left out again.

The Omen chronicles the adventures of the supernaturally-talented teens Vex, Voodoo Child, Rip, Carcass, and Oblivia as they try to save humanity from Armageddon. Written by Phil Nutman and illustrated by Justiniano, this must have book collects all five issues, the text from the Omen preview book, and a cover gallery of the six hard to find Omen #1 variants.

The Dead King tells the tale of Homicide and his bloody path to glory. All four blood-soaked issues are collected into one volume for your morbid pleasure. Written by legendary bad boy author Hart Fisher and illustrated by David Brewer, this bizarre story has more gruesome twists and turns than the Kevorkian Family Reunion. Who will be Dead King? Find out!

### Chaos! Website Update Debuts

Just in time for Wizard Con, Chaos! proudly unveils our new and improved web site (which now contains a full day's supply of darkness in each serving). Check out [www.chaoscomics.com](http://www.chaoscomics.com) the weekend of July 17-19 to see all the cool new stuff including up-to-date products available from Chaos! and the spiffy Countdown to Armageddon Clock-displaying the exact time remaining until Armageddon hits the Chaos! cosmos.

## Chastity Set To Rock In October

Comics hottest vampire assassin is set to kick off her newest four issue mini-series in October. Written by Phil (The Omen) Nutman and illustrated by Justiniano, Rocked reveals what happened when Chastity and Jade first squared off in New York in 1980. And as if the storyline wasn't cool enough, issue one will ship with three different covers by Justiniano which combine to form one image! We call them the "Trinity" covers, and they feature Chastity, Jade, and the supernatural Yakuza. Let your local comic store know ahead of time that you want all three covers, so you don't get shut out. Tell them that yakuza vampires sent you!

## Fiend Club Membership Surpasses 3000

The Evil Ernie/Lady Death Fiend Club recently passed the three thousand member mark, and continues to add new members at record pace. Don't miss out on cool Fiend Club exclusives and privileges, such as the 'members only' section of our web site. The cost is only \$25 for the first year, and includes a cool Fiend Club T-Shirt, an Evil Ernie 1/2 signed by

Brian Pulido, pins, stickers, membership card, and other assorted goodies. Members also receive a ten percent discount on all Collector's Corner orders. Don't be the last person on your block to sign up! Join the Fiend Club by calling (888) CHAOS13 Ext. 556 and stop missing out on the fun!

## Illustrious Potentate Named

We're not really sure what the title means, but Steve Eckart has been named as Chaos! Illustrious Potentate. And while we can only guess as to what Steve does while hidden in the corner over there (and what's up with those grinding metal noises?), we're sure he is doing a fantastic job. Rumor has it that Steve will also be assuming the role of Fiend Club Coordinator. Keep up the good work Steve!

## Halloween Bash News

Hey Fiends, the annual mega-event of all things Chaos! is approaching! This year's Fiend Bash will be in San Antonio and is tentatively scheduled for October 23-24. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for more news coming your way about this event. Anyone who has attended in the past will tell you that this is one party not to be missed. Hey, has anyone seen my Purgatori mask?

## Haben Sie EVIL ERNIE Gesehen?

Chaos! is now poised to conquer the world! Evil Ernie recently made his German language edition and was immediately among that country's top selling comics, and initial orders for the French language version were even higher. With Japanese, Italian, and Spanish versions also in the works, can total global domination be far behind? Remember, vee have ways of making you read!

## Supernaturals On The Way

Chaos! Comics president and creator Brian Pulido has teamed with Marvel Comics to write The Supernaturals, a four issue arc produced under the Marvel banner. This eagerly anticipated series will ship weekly during October and pits Marvel characters Ghost Rider, Dr. Strange, Werewolf by Night, Gargoyle, Santana, Black Cat, Brother Voodoo, and Jack O' Lantern against classic monsters such as Dracula and Frankenstein's monster. As an added bonus, Pulido plans on resurrecting some of the old Marvel/Atlas era creatures such as Shagg, Gorgolla, Tragg and Titan. Be sure to haunt your local comic stores in October so that you can scare up these monster hits!

## Upcoming Online Chats

Hey Chaos! fanatics, surf your way over to [chatroom@chaoscomics.com](mailto:chatroom@chaoscomics.com) for these chats. They take place at 9:00pm EST. You need to have Netscape to participate.

AUGUST		
4th	DAVID QUINN	Topic - Purgatori
11th	PHIL NUTMAN	Topic - Evil Ernie

Check our web site early and often for more special events!

## Quick News

Evil Ernie vs. the Super Heroes is looking like a super hit -- look for it next month. You will be Purgatori's this September! Look for another Chastity series early next year. The Goddess Wars love/hate revenge match is on this October...Lady Death vs. Purgatori -- Let's get ready to rumble! Pre-order now! Big changes are on the way for ol' Evil Ernie. Stay tuned... The Chaos! Action Figure line wins yet another award- this time the Diamond Gem Award for best action figure line of 1997. Don't miss the Steven Hughes Portfolio featuring eight pieces of Steven Hughes' art -- coming this fall just in time for the holidays. Speaking of the holidays, keep an eye out for the Smiley Christmas Special. Ho ho ho, boss!

## The Chaos! To Come Checklist

Need more Chaos! in your life? Let your local comic store owner know and ask them to reserve your copies. Most comic stores offer a subscription service -- Just ask!

- ### July '98
- Lady Death #7 \$2.95
  - Evil Ernie #2 \$2.95
  - The Omen #4(of 5) \$2.95
  - Dead King #4(of 4) \$2.95
  - Lady Death: Retribution \$2.95

- ### August '98
- Lady Death #8 \$2.95
  - Evil Ernie #3 \$2.95
  - The Omen #5 (of 5) \$2.95
  - Evil Ernie vs. The Superheroes II \$2.95
  - Pandemonium: Deliverance

- ### September '98
- Lady Death #9 \$2.95
  - Evil Ernie #4 \$2.95
  - Purgatori Monthly #1 \$2.95
  - The Omen: Vexed - One Shot \$2.95

## FIEND ALERT

Notice Chaos! Comics selling out quickly? Want your Chaos! comics? **LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!** Pre-order Chaos! Comics at your local comic shop - or ask them to reserve you copies! New Policy - We print to order. No over runs. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

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# Last Writes

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## DEAR CHAOS!

The reason I am writing to you is because I just finished reading Lady Death issue #5 and when I got to the end and started to read Last Writes, there was someone that mentioned a Lady Death movie and you wanted to know who the readers wanted to see play Lady Death. Now I've been thinking about this for awhile and now I will finally let it out, the perfect person to play Lady Death is Angela Everheart. She was in "Bordello of Blood" and "Another 9 1/2 Weeks". The only thing she would have to do is dye her hair or use a wig.

Thank you!  
Mike Groleau

Hmmmm...Angela Everheart eh?  
Interesting choice Mike. What do the rest of you think?

## DEAR DIVA OF DEATH

I gotta tell you, I've been reading Lady Death since the Heaven and Hell series and this comic keeps getting better and better! I just got finished reading Lady Death issue #4 of the ongoing series, and although I've always liked Steven Hughes artwork, this issue had something "special" about it. I don't know how to place it, but there was something special about it. I really love Leviatha! Who would have thought Lucifer's Mate would pose more of a problem to Lady Death than he ever did? And the return of Lady Demon ain't hurting anything either! Will Hope survive her trip through Hell? I think she will because the willpower she possesses as Lady Death had to come from somewhere. But seeing how she survives will keep me coming back for more!

Jason Parker

Hey Jason! We are glad you are on the edge of your seat Jason, we think you will enjoy how it all turns out! And, for all of the Steven Hughes art fans out there, be on the look out for a Steven Hughes Art Portfolio this November. It looks to be some of his hottest stuff yet!

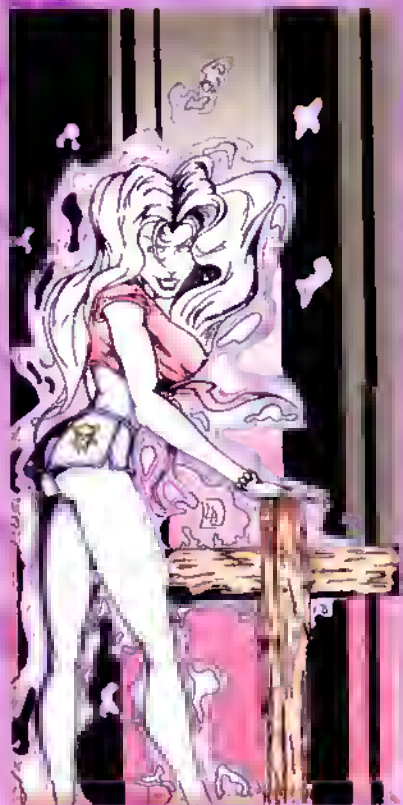


Simple innocence  
Misguided Trust  
Understanding Nothing  
Feeling Everything  
Holding on to Hope  
Eyes Full of Confusion  
Lost to their Sins  
Descent to Darkness  
Slowly filling with Hatred  
Spitting in the face of Death  
Learning the truth of Hell  
Power matches Desire  
Walking on to find Father  
Finding true Darkness there  
Destroying one, only to gain another  
Believing you have conquered Hell  
Only to Lose  
The Remains of Hope

April Watson



Tina Dent



London Arévano

## Next Issue

Lady Death has accepted the ominous Scythe of the covenant from the Archangel Michael. Now it is finally time for her to seize control of Hell, but Hell is at war. Blood crazed, rebel armies storm Lady Death's fortress. Every hand is against her - including Heaven's executioner, The Galilean! Meanwhile, what secret terrors are the temptresses Leviatha and Malady discovering on the fringe of Heaven? Don't miss the non-stop action in the climax to "The Harrowing"

*Brian Pulido*

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